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IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claim 11, amend claims 7, 12 and 14 and add new claim 15.

1-6 (Canceled)

5 7. (Currently amended) A protector pad for use with a piece of furniture with legs, said pad comprising a generally flat body with two opposite pad faces:

- a lower pad face (22) which is soft, destined to slide against delicate surfaces without scratching them and,

10 - an upper pad face (26) destined to be fixed to the bottom of said leg (28) of said piece of furniture, said flat body being constituted of two pieces: a base (32) and a sole (34); said base comprising a fabric (38) with a superior face forming said upper pad face and an inferior face (36) comprising first means for assembly; said sole comprising a lower layer
15 (46) whose inferior face forms said lower pad face (22), a central layer (48) comprising a reinforced material and an upper layer (42) with a superior face (43) comprising second means for assembly to assemble said sole (34) to said base (32), wherein said first means for assembly
20 comprise a plurality of grabbing member hooks (36) each providing a high shear resistance in all directions ~~having a mushroom shape.~~

8. (Original) The protector pad of claim 7 wherein said second means of assembly (42) comprise fibers forming arches (44).

9. (Previously presented) The protector pad of claim 8 wherein the material of said upper layer (42) of said sole (34) comprises a felt the
25 fibers thereof forming said arches.

10. (Original) The protector pad of claim 9 wherein said felt comprises materials from a group comprising polyester and natural fibers.

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11. (Canceled)

12. (Currently amended) The protector pad of claim 7 wherein said superior layer (42) and inferior (46) layers are made of felt material.

13. (Original) The protector pad of claim 12 wherein said felt material
5 consists either of polyester or natural fibers.

14. (Currently amended) The protector pad of claim 7 wherein said reinforced material is hardened felt.

15. (New) The protector pad of claim 7 wherein said grabbing member hooks (36) providing a high shear resistance are have a mushroom shape.

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